GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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TRAVELLING OF PERSONS IN MPS NAME
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are aware of the travelling of persons in trains in the name of Members of Parliament;

(b) if so, the number of such persons found travelling during last three years;

(c) the action taken against them;

(d) the measures taken by the Railways to check such practice;

(e) whether the Railways propose to amend the rules regarding free travelling in trains; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) to (c): Some cases of persons travelling in trains in the name of Members of Parliament have come to notice. However, statistics of such cases is not maintained separately. Action is taken against such persons as per relevant provisions of law.

(d): Apart from regular ticket checking drives, surprise checks are also conducted against ticketless/irregular travel including those travelling in the name of Members of Parliament.

(e) & (f): Rail travel facilities to Members of Parliament are administered by Parliament Secretariat.